

Vancleave Church of Christ

Sermon Title: Clean On The Inside

Scripture: Colossians 1:21, 22

Prayer Requests and Announcements

April 23, 2023

George Fain: He is not doing well at all, although on Thursday he returned home from hospital.

Linda Ruffin: She had a stroke. Surgery was performed. She is alert, talking better and doing therapy.

Anita Dees: She recently had open heart surgery Thursday. She is having a tough time recovering.

Tommy Webb: Family member of brother Ron Webb, is still sick. He to have an Oncology visit 26 April.

Lisa Hesselrode: She is scheduled to have surgery April 27th Prayers are most welcomed.

Ongoing Prayers

Please be sure to update at: vcocministry@vancleavemschurch.org

Jackie Roach	Maxie Dodson, Jr.	Cheryl Solla	Sue Flurry
David Bosarge	Heath Smith	Zenie George	David Robinson
Tara Forte	Anita Dees	Rick Bedwell	Pete Hankins
Andi Barrett	Lisa Jenkins	Earl Kenney	Linda Kenney
Barbara Patton	Traci Herrin	Jerry Mobley	Rylie Trussel
Elsie Ashcraft	Teresa Blackmon		

A Word of Encouragement for the Week Ahead

“No one ever cared for me like Jesus, There's no other friend so kind as He; No one else could take the sin and darkness from me, O how much He cared for me!” – Charles F. Weigle

“And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood” (Revelation 1:5, KJV)

Announcements / Other:

- The East Side congregation will host a Sing on the East Beach the first Sunday on 7 May, 2023. More info to follow.
- All are invited to attend a graduation celebration this evening for sister Sophie Lyons. The event will take place immediately after evening services and will be held in the fellowship room.
- Join us for our “Becoming and Remaining a Faithful Christian” congregational study along with our regular worship each Sunday at 6:00 PM. Bring a Bible, all other materials will be provided.
- Please see flier(s) on table for various, special upcoming local area church events.

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The Great Conqueror

Jesus of Nazareth, without money and arms, conquered more millions than Alexander the Great, Caesar, Mohammed, and Napoleon; without science and learning, he shed more light on things human and divine than all philosophers and scholars combined; without the eloquence of school, he spoke such words of life as were never spoken before or since, and produced effects which lie beyond the reach of orator or poet; without writing a single line, he set more pens in motion, and furnished themes for more sermons, orations, discussions, learned volumes, works of art, and songs of praise than the whole army of great men of ancient and modern times.

Born in a manger, and crucified as a malefactor, he now controls the destinies of the civilized world, and rules a spiritual empire which embraces one third [now one fourth, DP] of the inhabitants of the globe. There never was in this world a life so unpretending, modest, and lowly in its outward form and condition. and yet producing such extraordinary effects upon all ages, nations, and classes of men. The annals of history produce no other example of such complete and astounding success, in spite of the absence of those material, social, literary, and artistic powers and influences which are indispensable to success for a mere man.

Christ stands, in this respect also, solitary and alone among all the heroes of history, and presents to us an insolvable problem, unless we admit him to be more than a man, even the eternal Son of God. - Philip Schaff (d. October 20, 1893)

“Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?” (John 8:53, *ESV*)

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A Note from your Preacher: I think I will always be amazed at the profound impact the life of one man, Jesus of Nazareth (whom the Bible declares shares fully in the nature of the one true God, cf., John 1:1-3; Colossians 2:9; 1 Timothy 3:16), still makes on our world. - DP